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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

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JANUARY 22, 1891.—Ordered to be printed.

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Mr. BLAIR, from the Committee on Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT:

[To accompany H. R. 12946.]

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 12946) granting a pension to Lydia P. Holmes, have examined the same, and report:

The report of the House Committee on Invalid Pensions is adopted, and the bill reported with a favorable recommendation.

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HOUSE REPORT.

The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 12946) granting a pension to Lydia P. Holmes, submit the following report:

Lydia P. Holmes is the mother of William L. Holmes, who served as private in Company I, First Maine Heavy Artillery, from December 23, 1863, until January 14, 1865, when discharged upon surgeon's certificate of disability arising from amputation of right leg from wound received in battle May 19, 1864. William L. Holmes was a pensioner for said loss of leg and died April 8, 1887, leaving neither widow nor minor child surviving him. He made his home with his parents, and the pension received by him was used for their support. Since his death they have been supported by charity. Lydia P. Holmes is 82 and her husband, the soldier's father, 86 years of age. She has no title under the general law, because the soldier's death-cause can not be traced directly to his military service.

Your committee are of opinion that the case is highly meritorious and therefore report favorably on the accompanying bill and ask that it do pass, amended, however, by striking out all after the word "volunteers" in line 7.

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